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MIDVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT #433

P O Box 130 / 56 School Road / Midvale ID 83645
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Billing Entity #142731

October 27, 2016

Dear Federal Communications Commission,

RE: FCC Appeal 02-6 of Application Form 471, 1049360

We are writing you to appeal the denial from USAC Application Form 471, 1049360 because of certification problems with Form 486, 1094934. In the letter from USAC it states we got an "Urgent Reminder" which we didn't receive or I see no copy in the records.

Our current reimbursement is \$4,480.00 out of the \$13,440.00 requested for internet. Please see Form 472, 2416852.

After BEAR Invoice 2396467 dated June 8, 2016 was rejected because of certification incomplete, we found that the certification was not completed. At that point we certified FCC Form 486, 1094934. Please see Form 486, 1094913 and Form 471, 1050893 dated October 2, 2015. Both certifications were sent that same day. Currently, we do not understand why it was incomplete, but I notice 2016 Form 486 has been corrected to prevent the same mistake.

To the best of my knowledge, Mrs. Karen Piper sent both certifications on October 2, 2015. I believe either a computer problem occurred, or she accidentally certified the same application twice. During this time she had major health problems. Mrs. Piper is no longer with the district, so it is difficult to determine exactly where the error was made.

We are a small school district and the loss of funds would create a considerable hardship. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you reconsider your decision for Form 472, 2416852.

Thank you for your consideration.

Amy J. Warren
Midvale School District #433, IT Director

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Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2015-2016

September 12, 2016

Amy Warren
Midvale School District 433
56 School Road
PO Box 130
Midvale, ID 83645

Re: Applicant Name: MIDVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 433
Billed Entity Number: 142731
Form 471 Application Number: 1049360
Form 486 Application Number: 1094934
Funding Request Number(s): 2865501
Your Correspondence Dated: August 25, 2016

After review of the information and documentation provided, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2015 FCC Form 486 Notification Letter for the FCC Form 471 Application Number referenced above. This letter provides an explanation for USAC's decision. The date of this letter also begins the sixty (60) day time period for appealing this decision. If your Letter of Appeal included more than one FCC Form 471 Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate decision for each funding application.

Funding Request Number(s): 2865501
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- USAC has determined that your FCC Form 486 was not filed within 120 days of the Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) dated August 28, 2015. On January 5, 2016, USAC mailed an "Urgent Reminder" letter providing you with additional time and a new deadline to submit and/or certify your FCC Form 486. Your FCC Form 486 was postmarked and certified on July 7, 2016, which is after the new deadline date. Consequently, the Service Start Date has been revised to March 9, 2016, 120 days before the FCC Form 486 postmark date. If the funding commitment includes recurring charges then the funding commitment has been reduced accordingly. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all

forms are submitted to USAC in a correct and timely manner. As a result, your appeal is denied.

- FCC rules require applicants to use recurring services within the relevant funding year and to implement non-recurring services by the applicable deadline established by the Commission. *See* 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.507(d). The FCC Form 486 informs USAC when the applicant is scheduled to receive or has received services in the relevant funding year from the named service provider. The receipt of a properly completed FCC Form 486 triggers the process for USAC to receive invoices. In order for an applicant to receive discounts retroactively to the SSD, the FCC Form 486 should be postmarked no later than 120 days after the SSD featured on the FCC Form 486 or no later than 120 days after the date of the FCDL, whichever is later. When an applicant has missed a deadline to file its FCC Form 486, it is given an additional 20 calendar days from the date of receipt of USAC's written notice to file or amend its FCC Form 486 and receive services retroactively to the SSD. *See* Requests for Review and Waiver of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Alaska Gateway School District, Tok, Alaska, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, File Nos. SLD-412028, et al., CC Docket No. 02-6, 21 FCC Rcd 10186-10187, DA 06-1871, para. 8 (rel. Sep. 14, 2006).

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may file an appeal pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart I. Detailed instructions for filing appeals are available at:
<http://www.usac.org/sl/about/program-integrity/appeals.aspx>.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

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Midvale School District 433
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Billing Entity #142731

August 25, 2016

Dear USAC Schools & Libraries Program Correspondence Unit

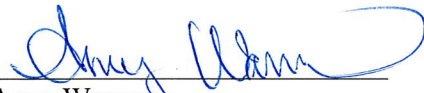
RE: Appeal of Application Form 471, 1049360

We are writing to appeal our Application Form 471, 1049360 that was denied funds because of certification of Form 486, 1094934. Current reimbursement is \$4,480.00 out of the \$13,440.00 for internet. Please see Form 472, 2416852.

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Amy Warren
IT Director

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Schools and Libraries Division

Form 472 (BEAR) Notification Letter

August 10, 2016

Missy Harrison
Midvale Telephone Company
2205 Keithley Creek Road
PO Box 7
Midvale, ID 83645-0007

Re: Invoice Number - as assigned by USAC: 2416852
Service Provider Identification Number: 143002518
Reimbursement Form Number: 1049360
Billed Entity Number: 142731

Karen Piper
MIDVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 433
P O Box 130
Midvale, ID 83645

Preferred Mode of Contact: E-mail at piperka@ruralnetwork.net
Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment: \$4480.00

This letter is your notification that the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has processed an FCC Form 472, "Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR)" Form from the above named applicant listing you as the service provider. USAC has committed to reimburse the discounted portion of the cost of eligible services provided to eligible entities pursuant to one or more FCC Forms 471, "Description of Services Ordered and Certification Form".

In certain instances, a line may not have been paid. Review the BEAR Letter Applicant Reimbursement Report (Report) following this letter for the reason(s) this may have occurred. For more information about lines that have not been paid, see the explanation of Invoice Error Codes in Step 9 on our website. Work with the applicant (your customer) to correct any errors. Once corrected, your customer may submit a new BEAR to request reimbursement for any unpaid lines.

We recommend using the BEAR Online tool from the Apply Online area or Required Forms section of our website for additional submissions. If a new BEAR cannot be submitted before the invoice deadline passes, you or your customer may submit a request for a deadline extension. (See "Invoice Deadlines and Extension Requests" posted in the SLD section of our website for more information.)

Pursuant to the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 03-101, released April 29, 2003), you must remit the amount shown as "Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment" above to your customer no later than 20 days after receipt of payment of the approved discounts from USAC. You also agreed not to tender or make use of the payment of the approved discounts issued by USAC to you prior to remitting the discount to your customer (See BEAR Form, Block 4, Service Provider Acknowledgment).

The USAC check should be mailed to the service provider named above within 20 days of the date of this letter.

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The maximum remaining amount available for each Funding Request Number (FRN) listed on the Report will be the original commitment less the amount approved herein for reimbursement and less any earlier disbursements to your customer.

PLEASE NOTE: The type of invoice form (BEAR or SPI) for the funding year is established by the receipt and approval of the first invoice submitted for the FRN for the funding year. For example, if we successfully process a BEAR for an FRN, we will not approve a SPI for that same FRN at a later time.

Please see the Guide to Letter Reports posted on our website for an explanation of the items listed in the attached Report.

COMPLETE PROGRAM INFORMATION is posted on our website. You may also contact our Client Service Bureau using the "Submit a Question" link on our website, toll-free by fax at 1-888-276-8736 or toll-free by phone at 1-888-203-8100.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

CC: MIDVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 433



Universal Service Administrative Company

Schools and Libraries Division

FORM 486 NOTIFICATION LETTER
(Funding Year 2015: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016)

July 20, 2016

Karen Piper
MIDVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 433
P O Box 130
Midvale, ID 83645

Re: Form 486 Application Number: 1094934
Applicant's FCC Form 486 Identifier: Rangers

This letter is to notify you that the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has received and accepted an FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, from you. This notification is to confirm the information that you provided. This information is being shared with the service provider whose Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) you identified on each Funding Request Number (FRN).

You may be receiving this letter to revise or correct a previous Form 486 Notification Letter. The information contained in this letter supersedes any previous notification you may have received, including, but not limited to, a previously adjusted Service Start Date or previously reduced funding commitment.

An explanation of the data provided in our letter reports is in the Guide to USAC Letter Reports posted in the Reference Area of our website. Complete program information, including invoice deadlines, is also posted on our website. You may also contact our Client Service Bureau toll-free by phone at 1-888-203-8100, by email using the Submit a Question link on our website, or toll-free by fax at 1-888-276-8736.

NEXT STEPS

Discuss with your service provider whether you would like discounts on your bills or to pay your bills in full and be reimbursed for discounts.

Applicants invoice USAC before the invoice deadline using the applicant invoice [FCC Form 472, Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) Form] for reimbursements of discounts after paying the service provider bills in full. Service providers invoice USAC using the service provider invoice [FCC Form 474, Service Provider Invoice (SPI) Form] after billing applicants for their non-discount portion. Whichever method you choose, you must pay your non-discount portion, as stated in program rules. Program rules also require that participants maintain all documentation for at least five years after delivery of discount service.

TO APPEAL THE SERVICE START DATE/FUNDING COMMITMENT CHANGE DECISION

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If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter to USAC, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the letter and the decision you are appealing:
 - appellant name,
 - applicant or service provider name, if different than appellant,
 - applicant BEN and service provider SPIN,
 - FCC Form 486 Number 1094934 and ERN(s) as assigned by USAC,
 - "Form 486 Notification Letter for Funding Year 2015", AND
 - the exact text or the decision that you are appealing.
3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by the USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by the USAC's decision.
5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

We strongly recommend that you use one of the electronic filing options. To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universalservice.org or submit your appeal using the Submit a Question feature on the USAC website. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to us by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542.

To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit
30 Lanidex Plaza West
PO Box 685
Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC, please see Appeals in the Schools and Libraries section of the USAC website.

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Universal Service Administrative Company

FORM 486 NOTIFICATION LETTER REPORT
(Funding Year 2015)

Funding Request Number: 2865501
Form 471 Application Number: 1049360
Service Provider Name: Midvale Telephone Company
Service Provider Identification Number: 143002518
Billing Account Number: 026503
Service Start Date: 03/09/2016*
Service Start Date Change Explanation: 120-DAY 486 DEADLINE
Adjusted Funding Commitment: \$4,480.00

